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To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The Humble ADDRESS of the Archbiſhop, Biſhops, and Clergy of the Province of *Canterbury*, in Convocation aſſembled.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WITH Hearts full of all the Sentiments which the warmeſt Gratitude and moſt affectionate Duty can inſpire, We the Archbiſhop, Biſhops, and Clergy of Your Province of *Canterbury*, in Convocation aſſembled, unanimouſly beg Leave to embrace this earlieſt Opportunity of approaching Your Royal Throne with our moſt ardent Wiſhes, That the ſame good Providence, which hath hitherto preſerv'd Your invaluable Life, and brought back Your Majeſty in Safety to Your People, loyally anxious for Your Preſence, may ſtill continue Your effectual Safeguard, and protect Your Sacred Head from every Danger.

Whilſt, with one general Voice, Your free and happy Subjects loudly proclaim Your Majeſty's never-ceaſing paternal Care for their Welfare in every poſſible Inſtance, and remote Nations gratefully acknowledge Your powerful and beneficial Influence; Poſterity will ſcarce believe, that a Popiſh and long-abjur'd Pretender, in Confederacy with the avow'd and inveterate Enemies of this Church and Nation, ſhould preſume to diſturb the Tranquillity of Your Government. But from the great and almoſt unparallel'd Unanimity and Zeal, which have every where appear'd for the Suppreſſion of this unnatural and flagitious Rebellion, and for the Defence of Your Sacred Perſon, Your Crown and Dignity, and our own Religious and Civil Rights, this Benefit, We aſſuredly hope, through the gra-

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cious and wiſe Diſpoſal of Providence, will accrue, that not only the preſent Hopes and Deſigns of our Enemies ſhall be fruſtrated, but all their future Attempts for ever diſcourag'd and prevented.

And as it is the daily and fervent Prayer of Your loyal Clergy, that ſuch may be the happy Conſequences of our preſent Troubles, and, that in full Peace and Proſperity, Your Majeſty may very long reign over an obedient and grateful People; ſo We do in the moſt ſolemn Manner aſſure Your Majeſty, That it ſhall be our faithful and conſtant Endeavour to impreſs on the Minds of the People under our Care, ſuch ſteady Principles of Loyalty and Duty, as ſhall oblige them, on all Emergencies, to concur to their utmoſt Power, in ſupporting Your Majeſty's moſt juſt and undoubted Right to the Imperial Crown of this Realm; and, which is inſeparable from it, our Excellent Conſtitution in Church and State.

His MAJESTY's moſt gracious ANSWER.

My Lords, and the reſt of the Clergy,

I Thank you very heartily for this affectionate Addreſs. The early Care you have taken to warn My People of the imminent Dangers, which threaten this Church and Nation, from the preſent unnatural Rebellion, is very agreeable to Me: And I depend upon the Continuance of your zealous Endeavours for that Purpoſe. You may be aſſured of My conſtant Reſolution to maintain and ſupport the Church of England, *as by Law eſtabliſhed.*

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